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May 27, 2010

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Harry Reid
Majority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable John Boehner
Minority Leader
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Mitch McConnell
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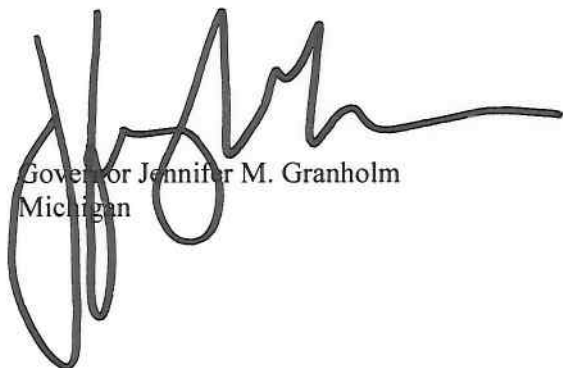
Dear Speaker Pelosi, Majority Leader Reid, Minority Leader Boehner and Minority Leader McConnell:

We urge you to quickly pass legislation that will support job creation in our states. *The American Jobs and Closing Tax Loopholes Act of 2010* (H.R. 4213) will promote lending to small businesses, give individuals and businesses relief during these tough economic times, ensure that individuals have access to affordable health care, and provide much needed relief to those areas that have been struck by a disaster.

While we have made much progress, additional action is needed to address high unemployment and spur further economic recovery. Many of the provisions in this legislation are set to expire soon, and without an extension, jobs will be lost, working families will suffer, and states will continue to make devastating cuts that will hinder economic growth.

We thank you for your attention to this matter and stand ready to partner with you to promote economic recovery.

Sincerely,



Governor Jennifer M. Granholm
Michigan



Governor Christine O. Gregoire
Washington



Governor Steven L. Beshear
Kentucky



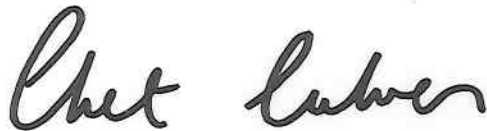
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